

COUNTRY East Germany

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REMARKS

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1. During the period from 19 to 21 October 1952, the unit stationed in the Adolf Hitler Kaserne on Ilberstedter Strasse, Bernburg (M 52/D 76), returned to the installation in small groups at night. About 200 motor vehicles were seen in the barracks yard on 21 October. [redacted] noted 50 to 60 more motor vehicles than prior to the departure to the summer camp. Officers [redacted] were no longer there on 2 November. [redacted] with the beginning of the exercises, officers and NCOs were detached to Frankfurt/Oder for instruction courses which lasted four weeks. [redacted] river crossing practices held there involved vehicles and equipment of the troops concerned. [redacted] 40 to 60 officers and NCOs were detached for each of these practices. On 23 October, 9 trucks carrying about 300 officers and soldiers left the installation for discharge. A band played while the decorated vehicles departed. [redacted]

2. [redacted]

1. [redacted] Comment. The present report tends to indicate that since 21 October 1952, the unidentified engineer regiment of the GONG had returned to its previous installation in Bernburg. No transportation reports have been received to indicate the return of this unit. Three trains which went from Aken to Bernburg on 5 and 9 October probably carried elements of this regiment which were not needed for the fall exercises. [redacted] the tanks of this regiment were transported. The instruction courses were no doubt held in Bad Saarow. The train each of the two engineer regiments of the GONG in Bernburg and Magdeburg were dispatched there on 21 October. [redacted]

2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] confirms the unidentified engineer regiment of the GONG in Bernburg until 24 September 1952.

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